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Data on m/s Helsingholm

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Officers of a Swedish merchant ship.

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1. Summary: The new Swedish passenger ship, m/s Helsingholm arrived in New York on 3 December 1953 on her maiden voyage from Gothenburg, Sweden. She is scheduled to sail on 9 December for Copenhagen and Gothenburg, and in February will enter cruise service to South America.

2. Ship's Characteristics:

- (a) Type: Passenger
- (b) Tonnage:
Gross: 22,071.3 (long tons)
Net: 13,633.09
Deadweight: About 5000
- (c) Dimensions:
Length (S P): 330'
Length (O A): 380'
Breadth: 77' (Moulded maximum)
Depth: 65'6" (To promenade deck)
- (d) Draft (full load): 26'
- (e) Hull Type Code: 3
- (f) SHIPR Sequence: SHF7K

3. Propulsion:

(a) Engines: Two Burmeister & Wain single-acting, 2-stroke, 8-cylinder Diesel engines with a combined indicated horsepower of 17,500 and 14,000 brake horsepower.

(b) Boilers: Auxiliary only - Two Scotch Boilers
Two Watergas Boilers

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(c) Fuel:
Type: Diesel oil (specific gravity 83-88)
Capacity: 1515 metric tons
Daily Consumption and maximum speed: 60 metric tons (including auxiliary engines)

(d) Speed:
Maximum: 21 knots
Cruising: 19 knots

6. History:

(a) Construction:
Place: Vlissingen, Holland
Builder: de Schelde
Date: 1973

(b) Port of Registry: Gothenburg, Sweden

(c) Owner: Swedish-American Line

9. Armament:

(a) Antiaircraft and other: 200

(b) Submarine: 000

4. Radio Call Letters: SSSA

7. Special Equipment:

(a) Radar: Two Raytheon Pathfinders (one 10-centimeter, one 3-centimeter)

(b) HF: Radio Marine AR 6707X

(c) Two compass and three repeaters

(d) Sounding Device: Holvin-Hughes

(e) Log: Sperry Mark 2 Mod 2

(f) Refrigerator: Capable of producing 200 tons daily

(g) Heavy Lift Equipment: Four 5-ton derricks

8. Armament: No special provision for gun installation

9. Landing Craft:

(a) Six motorboats:
 Four are equipped with radio telephones and can carry 60 passengers each.
 Two are equipped with radio and carry 74 passengers each

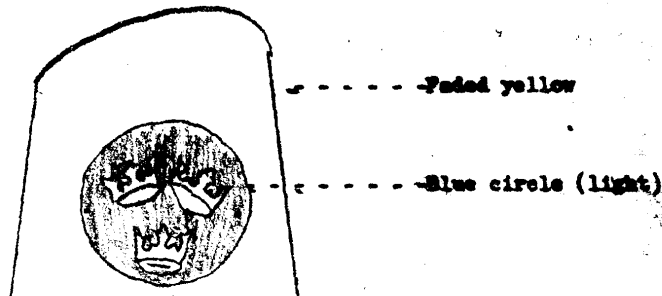
(b) Four lifeboats:
 Eight carry 75 passengers each
 Two carry 35 passengers each

10. Radio Shack Markings: The stack is a faded yellow color with a light blue circle centered on it. Three gold crowns are superimposed on the blue circle

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11. **Condition:**
Condition, material condition, and the appearance of crew are all excellent.
Available for inspection and selection in Graphic Register is one photograph
of subject ship taken in Flushing, Holland September 1941.

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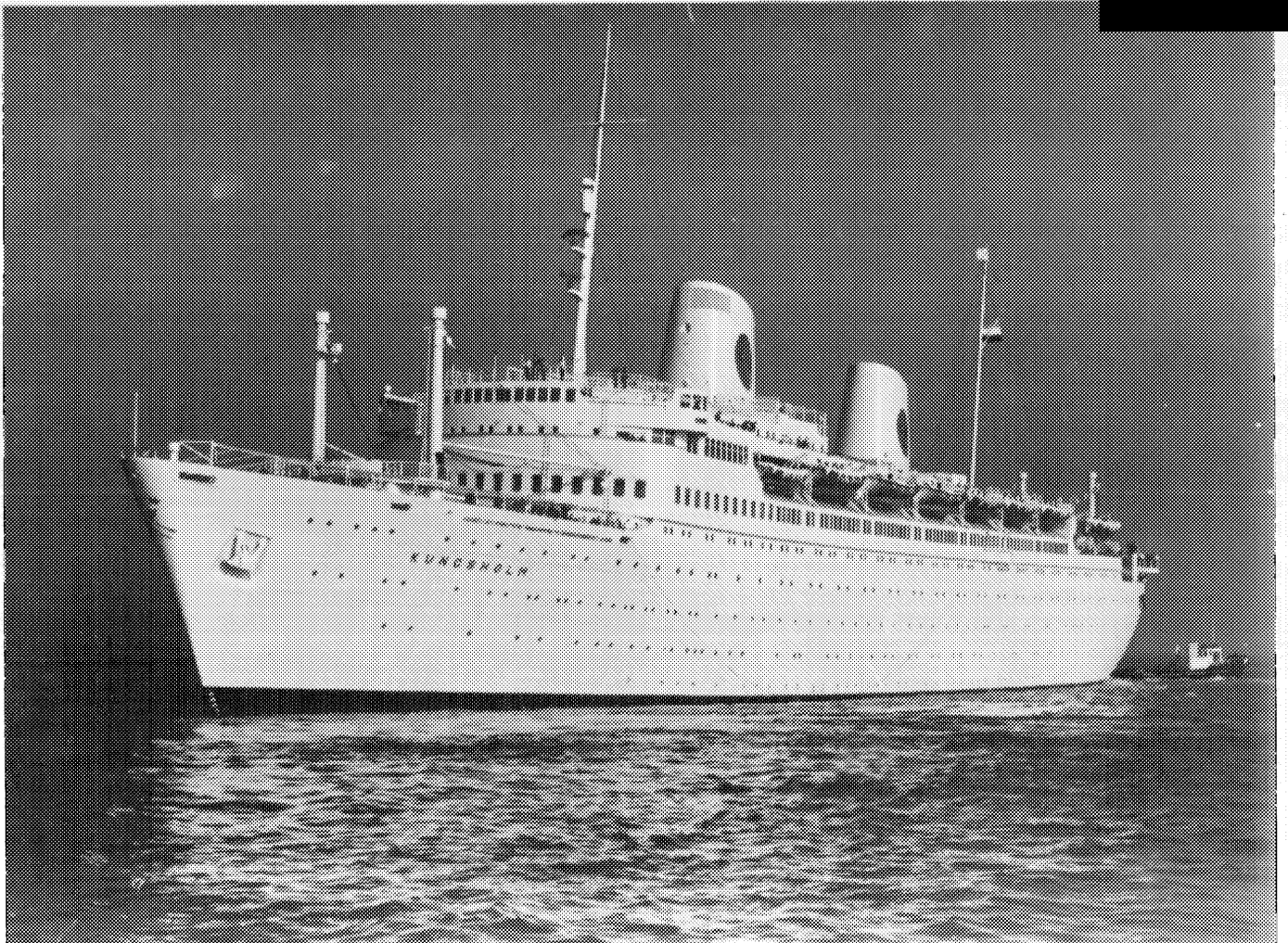
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